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cc: (bcc: LAURA RIPLEY/R5/USEPA/US)
Subject: Re: FW: Federal Facilities Docket -- Hines Depot

Michael,

I appreciate your quick response to my message. After reviewing our files and the Potential Hazardous Site Preliminary Assessment Form received by our agency in 1997, I have determined that there has not been a release to the environment from your facility. As a result, I will be making the recommendation to classify your facility for No Further Response Action Planned (NFRAP). Facilities are not removed from the Federal Agency Hazardous Waste Compliance Docket (Docket) after a Preliminary Assessment has been performed or if it is determined that no further remedial action is planned. The facility remains on the docket because (1) the status of the facility could change; and (2) EPA reserves the right to reinspect any facility if additional information becomes available. In addition, any facility that has been removed from the Docket can be relisted at any time if its status changes. For example, if a spill occurs at the facility.

At this time, EPA considers the Hines Supply Depot to have been evaluated and determined to have no further response action planned at this time. This change will most likely be made in our next Docket Update which will probably be in Notice of the Sixteenth Update of the Docket.

Thank you again for your request of status.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Eldridge, Adrian
Sent: Thursday, May 09, 2002 1:42 PM
To: Tyllas, Dr. Michael A.
Subject: FW: Federal Facilities Docket -- Hines Depot

FYI

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From: Staudt, John G (Jack)
Sent: Tuesday, May 07, 2002 12:53 PM
To: Eldridge, Adrian
Cc: Martinez, Freddie
Subject: Federal Facilities Docket -- Hines Depot

Adrian,

I have reviewed the information that you faxed to me.

Section 120(c) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA) as amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA), required the establishment of the Federal Agency Hazardous Waste Compliance Docket. The docket contains information on Federal facilities that is submitted by Federal agencies to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) under sections 3005, 3010, and 3016 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), and under section 103 of CERCLA. Specifically, RCRA section 3005 establishes a permitting system for certain hazardous waste treatment, storage, and disposal (TSD) facilities; RCRA section 3010 requires waste generators and transporters and TSD facilities to notify EPA of their hazardous waste activities; and RCRA section 3016 requires Federal agencies to submit biennially to EPA an inventory of hazardous waste sites that the Federal agencies own or operate. CERCLA section 103(a) requires that the National Response Center (NRC) be notified of a release. CERCLA section 103(c) requires reporting to EPA the existence of a facility at which hazardous substances are or have been stored, treated, or disposed of and the existence of known or suspected releases of hazardous substances at such facilities.

The docket serves three major purposes: (1) to identify all Federal facilities that must be evaluated to determine whether they pose a risk to human health and the environment sufficient to warrant inclusion on the National Priorities List (NPL); (2) to compile and maintain the information submitted to EPA on such facilities under the provisions listed in section 120(c) of CERCLA; and (3) to provide a mechanism to make the information available to the public.

The information that you faxed to me indicates that in August 1989 the Hines Depot provided EPA a Notification of Hazardous Waste Activity. In this notice, the Depot notified EPA that they handled a D001 non-specific ignitable hazardous waste. In about August 1993 the Depot prepared a Potential Hazardous Waste Site Preliminary Assessment Form. (The copy of this document provided you by the EPA Regional Office indicates that this form was received by EPA in June 1997.) One of the questions under 5. General Site Characteristics asks about the type of site operation. The Depot answered that the site operation is a federal facility (VA Supply Depot) and is a Small Quantity Generator.

It is my understanding of the current Docket listing criteria that with all

else being equal, Small Quantity Generators (i.e., generators of less than 1000 kilograms per month of hazardous waste) should not be listed on the Docket. I suggest that you discuss the foregoing with the EPA Region (Ms. Ripley) and suggest that the Hines Depot be deleted from listing on the Docket.

Please inform me of the outcome of your discussion with the EPA Region. If after discussing this issue with the EPA Region you would like me to speak with them I would be glad to do so.

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